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## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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MACHINE COMPONENT MONITORING, DIAGNOSING AND SELLING SYSTEM For:

## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

Group Art Unit: 2857

Examiner: Mary C. BARAN

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 5, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on February 5, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.